



In re application of

Takayuki WATANABE et al.

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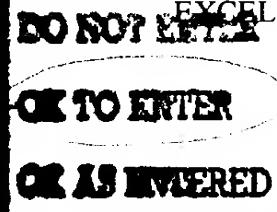
Confirmation No. 9482

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Group Art Unit 1761

Examiner H. Mai

EDIBLE POWDER MATERIAL HAVING
EXCELLENT SHELF STABILITY



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**RESPONSE UNDER 37. CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1761**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

REC'D 3-0 2002

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of November 29, 2001, the time for responding thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel, without prejudice to the subject matter involved, claim 14. ✓

Please amend claims 1 and 15 as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A powder composition consisting essentially of (1) at least one component selected from the group consisting of perfumes, coloring agents and substances having a biological regulatory effect or physiological activity for mammals, (2) trehalose and (3) water-soluble hemicellulose, wherein the substances having a biological regulatory effect or physiological activity for mammals are selected from the group consisting of docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA), DHA- and/or EPA-containing fish oil, linolic acid, γ -linolenic acid, α -linolenic